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The City of Seattle is pleased to join The Seattle 2030 District as a Founding Member. The 2030 District is an effort of more than 40 civic leaders—building owners and professionals, utilities, and local governments to become the first large-scale, high performance building district in the country. The City believes that the Seattle 2030 District serves as a model of public-private collaboration that will reduce energy use, generate local economic activity, and pave the way toward a climate-friendly future.

In becoming a Founding Member, the City of Seattle agrees to:

1. Support the goals of the Seattle 2030 District, which are to achieve the following outcomes district-wide:

Existing Buildings and Infrastructure Operations:

- Energy use: A minimum 10% reduction below the national average by 2015 with incremental targets, reaching a 50% reduction by 2030.
- Water Use: A minimum 10% reduction below the national average by 2015, with incremental targets, reaching a 50% reduction by 2030.
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions from auto and freight: A minimum 10% reduction below the current District average by 2015 with incremental targets, reaching a 50% reduction by 2030.

New Buildings, Major Renovations, and New Infrastructure:

- Energy use: an immediate 60% reduction below the National average, with incremental targets, reaching carbon neutral by 2030.
- Water Use: An immediate 50% reduction below the current National Average.
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions from auto and freight: An immediate 50% reduction below the current District Average.

2. Be an active and enthusiastic member in The Seattle 2030 District, including:

- Investing in energy and water efficiency of City-owned facilities consistent with the goals of the Seattle 2030 District.
- Sharing of building information, best practices, and lessons learned.
- Using the Seattle 2030 District's assessment tools and technical assistance.
- Participating in the 2030 District Committee's decision making.
- Mentoring other 2030 District members.

The City of Seattle is honored to be a Founding Member of The Seattle 2030 District, and will work closely with the District to make the business case for sustainability by creating on-the-ground success stories that show high-performance buildings the most profitable buildings in Seattle.

Sincerely,

Mayor Mike McGinn

Council Member Nick Licata

Council President Richard Conlin

Council Member Jean Godden

Council Member Tom Rasmussen

Council Member Bruce Harrell

Council Member Mike O'Brien

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